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Ms. Donna R. Searcy, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street N.W.- Room 222 Washington, DC 20554

RE: PR DOCKET NO.

Ms. Searcy:

In the matter of the revision of the Private Land Mobile Radio (PLMR) Services and the modification of the policies governing those services (PR Docket No. 92-235, the replacement of Part 90 by Part 88), we have the following comments:

- 1. WE DISAGREE WITH PR DOCKET 92-235 AS IT IS CURRENTLY PROPOSED.
- The fire, law enforcement and ambulance agencies of Contra Costa County serve a population of over 850,000. The equipment costs alone to meet the proposed requirements of PR docket 92-235 are estimated at over FOURTEEN (14) MILLION DOLLARS. This estimate is based on the 108 base stations and 1,737 mobile and portabel radios in the county's largest police, fire, and public works affected agencies. County and city governments are experiencing severe budget cutbacks, including layoffs, and simply will not he able to meet the mandate as proposed.

4. The current license should remain the licensee for the narrowband channels which will be split out of the wideband channel, up to the year 2005, which will be ten years from adoption of the FCC regulations. This will give local governments the time required to make such a tremendous changeover in equipment which the new narrowband channels will require.

Simterely,

Lt. Manuel Misquez Acting Chief of Police

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